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## SPORTS

BY V. L. STEVENSON.

### Fleet Will Have Plenty Baseball

As soon as the fleet arrives there will be some real baseball played between the different ships and the local landlubbers. The National Guards are very keen on putting their best nine up against the best combination of the whole fleet.

When the fleet was here before, the Guards played the combined fleet nine, and were defeated after a fine game by a score of 3 to 1. That was the first of a series of three games, and the Guards want to have the other two, or one, as the case may be.

The arrival of the fleet will shake up things in the athletic line, and it will be a good thing for the town. The jacks play good ball, and they are always in earnest about the games. "Snakes" Schaeffer will get a great reception when he steps into the box and proceeds to tie himself into knots before putting an inshoot over the plate.

The West Virginia boys put up some fine games at the Athletic Park and it was a treat to go down there in the afternoons and see the lads playing the game for all they were worth.

The Athletic Park will probably not be available, as so much rain has fallen lately that the diamond is more like a slushpond than anything else. It will have to be drained properly before it will be any good in the winter time. However, the league ground is as good as ever, and most of the games can be played there or out at Kapiolani Park.

Manager Barry of the Guards is once more on the warpath as regards baseball, and he is determined to make up a really first-class nine that will give the best combined team the fleet can produce a tough go for the championship.

As announced in yesterday afternoon's Bulletin, a meeting will be held on Friday evening at the Bungalow, and a big gathering of ball-players is expected to turn up. A team will be selected and practice started at once, so that the Guards will be in fine form when the fleet arrives.

### Jackies To Join In Track Meet

As usual, a visit from the warships of Uncle Sam means a revival of sports all round, and while the jacks are here the Military Athletic Association will arrange all sorts of athletic stunts for them.

On the occasion of the last visit of the fleet, baseball was about the only sport handled, although there were several boxing bouts. However, this time things will be in the hands of the M. A. A., and although the ships will only be here a week or so, there will be plenty of fun if the rain holds off.

Colonel Jones of the N. G. H. and Captain Campbell of the Marines will call on the athletic officer of the fleet as soon as the ships arrive, and a program will be arranged to the satisfaction of everybody.

The soldiers will be included in the games, and there is a possibility of a service nine playing a combined fleet team at the league grounds. Such a match would be most exciting, and the landmen should be able to "get" together a fine combination of players to tackle the jacks.

A field day will also be fixed, and then the shot-put and hammer-throw men will be able to show what they can do in their line. Sprints and long-distance runs will also be brought off, and the meeting should be a huge success.

Rowing is reviving in fine style, and every afternoon a big bunch of men is to be seen down at the Myrtle and Heanani clubs. Two four-oar crews will turn out on Sunday, and some of the oldtimers who have not done any rowing for some years will be on the water. The Strawberry crews are getting a lot of attention from the Senators, and this afternoon Lloyd Conklin, the captain of the club, will get as coach to the young men.

### Poor Prospects Of Alameda Boys Coming

It will be heard with regret that the proposed visit of the Alameda school boys may not come off after all. There was not much difficulty in arranging the guarantee of the amount that would make the trip possible, but the plikla seems to be with regard to the team that is to compete with them.

The local men do not appear to have come through in good style, and the consequence is that the whole affair is in danger of falling through. This is much to be regretted, as a meeting between the Coast boys and our local champions would be most interesting and exciting.

E. B. Blanchard did his best to get a team together, but there was no chance of a representative one being selected, and the matter seems to have dropped with the proverbial sickening thud.

There may still be a chance of the Alameda boys coming along as they are willing to pay a big share of their expenses, but on arrival here there would be no recognized team ready to meet them. There are plenty of runners and jumpers who would compete against the mainland fellows, but the latter would run a great chance of losing their amateur status if they ran against some of the alleged amateurs in this Territory.

However, even if the Alameda boys do not come, the "Floral Parade" committee will provide an afternoon's sport at Aala Park that will provide some amusement for the crowd after the parade is finished. All sorts of footraces will be on the program and a most enjoyable lot of events should be pulled off.

### Another Y. M. C. A. Tennis Tournament

Member-Secretary Larimer of the Y. M. C. A. is very keen on tennis and he is anxiously waiting for the rainy weather to clear up so that some practice on the courts may be had.

The singles tournament was such a success that a doubles competition is now spoken of. It would be a scratch affair, and should attract a large number of entries. Most of the players who entered for the singles would be sure to put down their names, and a number of other members who thought the singles too strenuous would also enter.

The Y. M. C. A. courts are in good order, and it is only the heavy rain that prevents play at present. As soon as the rain lets up a little, the tournament will be got under way, and then there will be seen some of the best play witnessed here for some time.

Tennis has got a firm hold on the members of the Y. M. C. A., and at present quite a number of them are playing in the High School championship tournament. All those who would care to go in for the doubles tournament had better see Mr. Larimer and urge upon him the advisability of starting up the affair as soon as possible.

### Soccer Game On Saturday Next

On Saturday next the soccer men will once more dare the elements and have a try to play their favorite game. The match that is to be played is the one that was abandoned on account of wet weather some weeks ago, and it should prove a very good one.

The Punalohu defeated the Mafes last Saturday, and if they repeat the trick they will be the champions of the series. On the other hand, if the Mafes win on Saturday, they will tie the Puns for first place, and then another game will have to be played to decide the matter.

The Mafes' defeat by the Puns on Saturday last was rather a surprise, and there are many of the fans who think that the verdict will be reversed at the next meeting of the teams. If the Mafes win, the situation will be exciting enough for anything, and it is hard to say how the final game will go. Soccer has had a hard time of it

lately, and the weather has been against the game all the season. Still, some fine games have been played, and the form shown by the men is as good as has been seen for some time.

### Moving Picture Fight Poem

By John O'Keefe.  
"An' future generations, wid wonder an' delight,  
Will r-read in hist'ry's pages av the gr-reat McClusky fight."  
—From Mile, Margot Cline's "Songs of Strenuousness."

Come all ye fair young gentlemen and listen to my song.  
(That's how to start a ballad that's a thousand stanzas long.)  
I'll sing you of a noble pair who are so very strong.

They're known in the vernacular as husky.  
Upon a day not far away they'll meet within a ring  
To battle for a title and a more substantial thing.  
But over in his office hear the moving-picture king  
Give orders, "Don't you t'row me down, McClusky!"

"Spin it out, Jim Jeffries!" is to be the battle cry;  
"Spin it out, Jack Johnson, or the money won't be high."  
And all the future ages (I won't say with delight)  
Will read in hist'ry's pages of the Moving-Picture Fight.

The referee says, "Ready," but you needn't think they'll start  
At once to maceate the mug and hammer at the heart.  
A hasty knockout's not upon the pugilistic chart  
That's followed by the warriors white and dusky.

The fellow with the camera is standing at the back.  
You bet he is the kingpin to the white man and the black.  
He signals, "Wait till round nineteen to give the plexus whack;  
I won't no game of t'row me down, McClusky."

"Spin it out, Jim Jeffries!" is the order from the boss.  
"Spin it out, Jack Johnson, if you do not want a loss."  
For men will pay their wages with eagerness at night  
To see the various stages of the Moving-Picture Fight.

So Jim will trip the Johnson face and Jack will flick at Jim.  
The photo man will tell 'em harder work endangers him.  
The early fight will not excite, in fact, in lack of vim  
'Twill smell so bad you'd call it worse than musky.

About the roped arena they will dance with ne'er a shock,  
And swing and jab and uppercot, and dodge and duck and block  
Until the picture person says, "Let's see. It's five o'clock."  
You may now try to t'row him down, McClusky."

"Spin it out, Jim Jeffries!" is to be the battle shout.  
"To buy more cham, you son of Ham, you've got to spin it out."  
And future generations, with language not polite,  
Will look on the gyrations of the Moving-Picture Fight.

Down at the Honolulu Iron Works there is a young man named McDough, who is reported to be a very fast sprinter. His time over a hundred yards is given as close to the ten-second mark. If that be so, a match might be arranged between him and one of our cracks. There are a couple of near even-time men in this city, and a race between McDough and one of them should be a fine event.

The Columbia Boys will be here before long now and their performances, both on the field and stage, will be watched with interest. The lads had a great time in Sydney just before leaving for Honolulu via Suva, and they all speak well of the Antipodes.

### HAO WAS FIRED—WANTS JOB BACK

Daniel Hao claims that he was fired at the instance of Clarence W. North, an engineer for the City and County road department, without valid reason and he has appealed to Mayor Fom and the Supervisors for reinstatement in the road department. Hao claims that his separation from the service was a result of a misunderstanding.

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## What Army and Navy Folk Are Doing

Naval Bureau of Equipment.

Rear Admiral William S. Cowles, U. S. N., Chief of the Bureau of Equipment, reports that by rigid economy he has been able to keep within his appropriation of \$10,993,939. Of this \$5,450,000 was for coal and coal deposits, and \$4,150,000 for equipment of vessels. A summary is given of the work done at each navy yard and naval station. Turbo-generators have proved successful and are being installed. Improvements have been made in various interior communication devices. Electrically controlled searchlights have been ordered to complete a quota of eight for each vessel of the Atlantic fleet. They are to be erected as high as possible. Lighting service aboard ship has been improved to encourage the crew to read and write.

The bureau has kept step with the progress of wireless telegraphy and has obtained gratifying results from its research work. At Washington it is to be located a station having a radius of 3,000 miles both day and night, and to be equipped with apparatus to secure secrecy. It is expected to give as much security and dispatch in the transmission of messages as cable lines. This will ensure a greater surveillance over matters of international importance. Even with the present crude equipment, the growth of the service is even now phenomenal. To gain to security at sea has come to be of inestimable value. A contract has been made to fit all vessels of the first-class submarines with submarine signals.

A full account is given of the useful work of the Hydrographic Office. It is urged that the navy should be independent of foreign sources for its charts and sailing directions, and that unurveyed waters in which the United States has a growing interest and which are liable to be left unurveyed should be surveyed by the navy. The faithful work of the clerical force is commended and an increase in their pay is recommended.

The Army Ordnance Department, in pursuance of the new policy of avoiding a great deal of useless transportation of equipment articles by freight to the various arsenals has decided that a great many things shall be destroyed where condemned. If a canteen cannot be repaired where it is or a blanket-bag, shoulder strap or a cartridge belt, these articles are to be destroyed. Canteens, tin cups and meat cans are subject to very hard usage. In the case of the canteens, new covers, corks, chains and thread are issued for making repairs, but if canteens are badly rusted on the inside nothing can be done with them and they are to be destroyed. Where tin cups are badly rusted or burned over a fire they are to be thrown away, as tin cups are no longer issued, the aluminum cup having taken its place. A large proportion of the meat cans sent in to the Rock Island arsenal for repair are beyond saving. They are usually badly bent, have broken handles, have been somewhat melted over the fire and are of little value. Where aluminum cups get out of order there is no use of sending them back to be repaired, as they cannot be soldered. With most leather equipment that is old and weak there is no other course but to throw it away. In the case of band equipments, only the brass parts are to be sent to Rock Island arsenal, as the leather parts cannot be repaired. Condemned saddles should be stripped of hardware and destroyed. The old gray saddle blankets, which have been displaced by olive drab blankets, are ordered sent to Rock Island arsenal, where they are used for blanket-lined horse-covers.

Inspector General Garlington in his last annual report declares that the increase of 40 per cent in defects, irregularities and deficiencies per post, can be altered if officers will only make reasonable effort to master the regulations and exercise good common sense. He further states:

"The belief is expressed that the Army is in need of increase in the infantry and field artillery and of reorganization of the cavalry, and the opinion is expressed that legislation would be facilitated by quartering the troops where they would come close in contact with the people."

Anonymous Donor.

The Newport Naval Training Station is the recipient of a large donation for the erection of an Army and Navy Young Men's Christian Association building, similar to that in Brooklyn, N. Y. A generous donor has given \$250,000, stipulating that his, or her, name shall be withheld for the present, and work on the building will begin soon.

The gravity of the situation undoubtedly justifies the strong language used by Surgeon-General Rixey of the navy, in his annual report, in describing the growing prevalence of the cocaine habit among the enlisted men, and the menace it holds for the future well-being and efficiency of the service. While noting that many States have attempted to prevent the sale of the drug, he points out the ease with which the narcotic can be obtained, and says that reliance can not be placed upon these constantly-evaded State prohibitions, and that it devolves upon the navy to defend itself. Education of the men as to the dangers of the habit is the immediate duty at the door of the medical officer. The young enlisted men, by reason of their absence from the restraint of home ties, are peculiarly exposed to the temptations of that world in which the habit flourishes. Denizens of the lower world find a peculiar and unholly delight in adding another victim to this feature of their misery, and to offset this insatiable viciousness education as to the evil results of the practice should form a part of the regular instruction in hygiene given by the naval medical officers. The Surgeon-General says that cigarette smoking and alcoholic indulgence have been treated in a warning spirit in previous reports, and that the addition of cocaine to the list of habits which threaten the morals and physical integrity of the men makes it necessary to speak plainly now.

Secretary of War Dickinson calls attention in his annual report of the difficulty experienced by the U. S. transport Kilpatrick in a cruise from New York to Manila, February-April, 1909, owing to the refusal of certain wireless stations of other nationalities to take messages of the Kilpatrick. This refusal was due to the failure of the United States to give adherence to the international wireless telegraph convention held at Berlin on Nov. 3, 1906. This country was not represented at this convention, and it has not yet agreed to the stipulations signed there. Consequently ships flying the American flag find themselves with no standing in international wireless telegraphy, as none of the contracting countries is compelled to receive a telegram from the ship of a non-contracting country, and any coastal station in a foreign country may refuse transmission of a message to a station on shipboard subject to a non-contracting country. Luckily during the world cruise of the battleship fleet it was not made the recipient of any such rebuffs as those encountered by the Kilpatrick owing to the attitude of our country. The history of the whole matter is recorded in the published copy of the treaty, issued by the Bureau of Equipment, Navy Department, 1907.

Recommending that the age for the admission of candidates to the Naval Academy be between fourteen and seventeen years, Rear Admiral William P. Potter, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, U. S. N., in his annual report, says that modification of the required entrance examination to fit such a change could be easily made. Rear Admiral Potter directs attention to the fact that under the present law midshipmen enter the Academy between the ages of sixteen and twenty years, and under these conditions it frequently happens that an officer is graduated from the Academy and sent out into the fleet at the age of twenty-three or twenty-four; in other words, he starts his career aloft at an age when he should already have had several years' sea service. The average age of midshipmen at date of leaving the Naval Academy is now twenty-two years and six months, "manifestly two or three years older than is desirable."

You have heard of Zybsko, of course. No? Well, Zybsko is a champion wrestler, not a new breakfast food.—Washing Herald.